

1 I'M REALLY HAPPY TO SEE ALL THESE PEOPLE TURN
2 OUT HERE. IT SHOWS A REAL STRONG SUPPORT FROM THE
3 COMMUNITY FOR THIS PROJECT.

4 YOU KNOW, IT'S BEEN KIND OF TOUGH FOR THE
5 STAFF TO DO THIS. I KNOW ABOUT THREE OR FOUR YEARS AGO
6 THEY HAD A VALUE-ADDED PROCESS WHERE THIS WAS THE
7 PROJECT THAT CAME UP WITH, BUT DUE TO POLITICAL
8 PRESSURES, THEY HAD TO BACK OFF THIS MID-COURSE
9 ALTERNATIVE.

10 I REMEMBER I HAD A TRIP I WENT ON WITH EINAR
11 MAISCH -- I DON'T SEE HIM HERE RIGHT NOW -- BUT IT WAS
12 ONE OF THE MOST DRAMATIC TRIPS TO WASHINGTON I'VE EVER
13 BEEN INTO. EINAR HAD GONE TO SEE THE CONGRESSMEN, AND
14 THEY WERE PEOPLE THERE FROM THE BUILDING ASSOCIATION AND
15 ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS, AND EVERYBODY WANTED TO KNOW WHAT
16 WAS GOING ON.

17 AND IT WAS PRETTY DRAMATIC AND SOME PRETTY
18 DIFFICULT SITUATIONS, AND SOMEHOW WE WERE ABLE TO STEER
19 OUR WAY THROUGH OUR PROJECT AND GET OUR CONGRESSMEN TO
20 GIVE US 17 MILLION DOLLAR IN FUNDS.

21 WE'RE STILL NOT DONE ALL THE WAY. YOU KNOW
22 THAT WE STILL HAVE ABOUT A 10 MILLION DOLLAR GAP FOR THE
23 PROJECT, AS WE SEE IN THE PRESENT EIR.

24 ACTUALLY, THIS GENTLEMAN, JONAS, WORKS FOR THE
25 STATE OF CALIFORNIA RESOURCE AGENCY, ONE OF THE

1 EXECUTIVES OVER THERE, AND HE MAY BE INSTRUMENTAL IN
2 HELPING US GET STATE FUNDS FOR THE PROJECT. THERE IS NO
3 GUARANTEES. WE KNOW THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IS HAVING
4 HARD TIMES, BUT WE MAY HAVE GONE AS FAR AS WE CAN WITH
5 FEDERAL FUNDS.

6 AND, AS YOU KNOW, THE GOVERNOR GAVE US 4
7 MILLION DOLLARS ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO. THERE WEREN'T ANY
8 FUNDS IN THE LAST YEAR BUDGET, BUT MAYBE IF WE HAVE
9 ENOUGH SUPPORT AND WORK TOGETHER, WE CAN CONTINUE TO
10 HAVE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND BARRY NICHOLS FROM THE
11 RESOURCE AGENCY FIND FUNDS FOR THIS PROJECT SO WE CAN
12 MOVE AHEAD.

13 WE HEARD A LOT ABOUT GETTING A BRIDGE AND A
14 CONNECTION TO COOL. THAT SOUNDS LIKE A GOOD IDEA. I
15 THINK THE REASON WHY, YOU KNOW, THAT'S NOT INCLUDED HERE
16 IS THAT WOULD ADD AN ADDITIONAL COST THAT WOULD MAY HAVE
17 MADE IT -- INFEASIBLE. BUT I THINK THAT IF WE GET THIS
18 FAR ALONG, AND THERE'S ALWAYS A WAY TO WORK FURTHER, AND
19 WORKING WITH STATE, THE CALIFORNIA STATE PARK SYSTEM, WE
20 CAN FIND FUTURE FUNDS FOR A CONNECTION TO COOL.

21 THANKS.

22 MR. HALL: THANKS A LOT.

23 INTRODUCE YOURSELF, PLEASE, FOR THE RECORD.

24 MR. ROTHCHILD: JOHN ROTHCHILD. I LIVE HERE
25 IN AUBURN. RIGHT NOW, A NOTICEABLE FLOW DOESN'T GET

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1 DOWN TO THE CONFLUENCE FOR ABOUT FIVE OR SIX -- IS THAT
2 DUE TO CHANGE?

3 MR. HALL: I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THERE'S A
4 CHANGE IN THE PLANS AS THEY ARE NOW TO MAKE ANY
5 SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCE OF THAT.

6 MR. ROTHCHILD: SO, THIS CROSSING WON'T BE A
7 BIG PROBLEM FOR HORSES UNTIL AFTER SEVEN? THAT'S ALL I
8 WANTED TO SAY.

9 MR. HALL: THANK YOU. ANY OTHER POINTS?

10 YES, GO AHEAD. INTRODUCE YOURSELF, PLEASE.

11 MR. NOGGELBERG: HI, I'M DICK NOGGELBERG. I
12 SERVE AS PRESIDENT OF THE WESTERN STATES TRAIL
13 FOUNDATION.

14 AND I JUST WANT TO REMIND YOU GENTLEMEN THAT
15 THIS IMPACT ON THE WESTERN STATES TRAIL IS GOING TO BE
16 VERY SEVERE, AND IT NEEDS TO BE CONSIDERED STRONGLY WHEN
17 YOU COMPLETE THE PLANNING OF THIS PROCESS. YOU'VE ALSO
18 COMPLETELY CUT OFF MOUNTAIN BIKES. IT'S ILLEGAL FOR
19 MOUNTAIN BIKES TO TRAVEL ACROSS NO HANDS AND UP THE
20 AUBURN SIDE OF THE CANYON AND THE COOL SIDE, AND YOU'VE
21 COMPLETELY CUT THEM OFF.

22 THAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN. YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE
23 PEOPLE WHO DON'T KNOW THE RULES THAT WELL. THEY'RE
24 GOING TO BE RIDING THEIR BIKES; YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE
25 COLLISIONS BETWEEN HORSES AND BICYCLES. YOU'RE GOING TO

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A. Comment noted.

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A. Please refer to Master Response 3.1.1, Auburn-to-Cool Trail.

1 HAVE ACCIDENTS. YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE LIABILITY.

2 SO, YOU REALLY NEED TO CONSIDER THAT BRIDGE.

3 I THINK IT'S A BIG UPCOMING PROBLEM FOR PCWA AND PLACER
4 COUNTY IN TERMS OF LAWSUITS AND THINGS LIKE THAT WITH
5 ACCESS.

6 OTHER THAN THAT, I'VE LIVED HERE ALL MY LIFE,
7 AND I THINK THE PROJECT ITSELF IS REALLY GOOD. I'M JUST
8 APPALLED THAT THE TRAIL FROM AUBURN TO COOL WASN'T
9 CONSIDERED WITH ALL OF THE STUDIES THAT HAVE BEEN DONE.

10 THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY. THANKS.

11 MR. HALL: THANK YOU.

12 YES, GO AHEAD.

13 MR. SODERLUND: GREG SODERLUND. I JUST HAVE
14 ONE QUESTION IN THE PROPOSAL --

15 MR. HALL: CAN WE FINISH -- I'D LIKE TO FINISH
16 ALL THE COMMENTS FIRST, AND THEN WE'LL BE HERE AFTER WE
17 CLOSE THE COMMENTS, AND WE'LL BE HERE TO ANSWER ANY
18 QUESTIONS YOU HAVE.

19 MR. SODERLUND: THIS IS A QUESTION, SO YOU
20 WANT ME TO WAIT?

21 MR. HALL: I'D LIKE TO GET ALL THE COMMENTS.

22 MR. SODERLUND: I'D LIKE TO ASK THIS QUESTION
23 IN FRONT OF EVERYONE, AND THE QUESTION IS -- THE
24 PROPOSAL, AS IT STANDS NOW, ARE THERE PLANS TO
25 DECONSTRUCT THE TRAIL BETWEEN COOL AND AUBURN?

1 MR. HALL: NO, THEY'RE NOT.

2 MR. SODERLUND: WHEN YOU FILL IN WITH THESE

3 THOUSANDS OF TONS OF AGGREGATE YOU'RE GOING TO TAKE OUT

4 OF THE RIVER BED, NONE OF THAT IS GOING TO GO ON THE

5 EXISTING TRAIL?

6 MR. HALL: AS WE PROPOSED IT HERE -- THE FILL

7 AREAS WOULD NOT HAVE TRAILS ON THEM.

8 MR. SODERLUND: SO, IT WOULD DECONSTRUCT THE

9 TRAIL?

10 MR. HALL: IN THE SECTION WHERE IT'S BEING

11 FILLED.

12 MR. SODERLUND: QUICK QUESTION. STEVE PROE --

13 MR. HALL: WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS CLOSE THE

14 COMMENT PERIOD AND REOPEN UP THE QUESTION PERIOD, IF

15 THAT'S SUITABLE --

16 MR. PROE: THIS IS A COMMENT. THIS GENTLEMAN

17 JUST SAID SOMETHING ABOUT THE HISTORIC RAILROAD TRACK --

18 IS THAT GOING TO BE IMPACTED BY ANY OF THE

19 DECONSTRUCTION FROM THE OLD COOL QUARRY?

20 MR. HALL: I DON'T BELIEVE SO. I'M NOT SURE

21 EXACTLY WHERE THAT IS. ALL OUR WORK IS LIMITED TO DOWN

22 TO BASICALLY IN THE RIVER CHANNEL.

23 MR. PROE: I DON'T KNOW HOW BIG YOUR THING IS

24 GOING IS WHY I BROUGHT IT UP.

25 MR. HALL: OKAY. I WOULD CERTAINLY THANK ALL

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- A. Construction and operation of the Proposed Project would not include the Old Cool Quarry or the mid-slope Old Railroad Grade that follows the river from the Auburn Dam site to the Middle Fork/North Fork confluence. Within the project area, the Old Railroad Grade lies between 300 and 500 feet above the canyon floor and is outside of the area that would be disturbed by construction activities associated with the Proposed Project.

1 OF YOU FOR COMING TONIGHT. IT WAS A GREAT TURNOUT, AND
2 WE CERTAINLY HAVE GOT SOME THINGS TO GO BACK AND THINK
3 ABOUT.

4 I JUST WANT TO MAKE -- REMIND YOU THAT THE
5 COMMENT PERIOD CLOSES NOVEMBER 13, AND WE ASK THAT YOU
6 GO AHEAD AND SEND ANY OF YOUR COMMENTS IN TO US.

7 THANK YOU AND GOOD NIGHT.

8 (TIME NOTED: 9:20 P.M.)

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1 STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
2 COUNTY OF PLACER) SS.
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4 I CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING HEARING IS A TRUE
5 AND CORRECT TRANSCRIPTION OF MY NOTES AT THE TIME AND
6 PLACE THEREIN NAMED;

7 I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT I AM NOT OF COUNSEL OR
8 ATTORNEY FOR EITHER OR ANY OF THE PARTIES TO SAID
9 HEARING, NOR IN ANY WAY INTERESTED IN THE OUTCOME OF
10 SAID HEARING.

11 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY
12 HAND THIS 29th DAY OF OCTOBER 2001.

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15 MARY BARDELLINI, CSR NO. 2976
16 CERTIFIED SHORTHAND REPORTER
17 STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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